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83. (New) The combination of claim 70, each of the first visible exterior surfaces comprising at least one sector, the controller providing each of the at least one sectors with at least one visually distinct warning light signal.*37*
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84. (New) The combination of claim 83, the warning light signals comprising sequential illumination of the light emitting diodes to provide each of the sectors with at least one visually apparent directional arrow indicator, the at least one visually apparent directional arrow indicator indicating at least one direction.

REMARKS

The Examiner initially rejected claims 48, 51, and 53, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite. Applicant herein has amended claims 48, 51, and 53, to delete the indefinite subject matter. Applicant therefore respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 48, 51, and 53, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §112.

The Examiner next rejected claims 48-69 pursuant to the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting with respect to Application Serial No. 09/590,610 and 09/590,881. Applicant has enclosed herewith a terminal disclaimer with respect to Application Serial Nos. 09/590,610 and 09/590,881. Applicant has further enclosed herein an authorization to charge Applicant's deposit account for any fees associated with the enclosed terminal disclaimer.

The Examiner next rejected claims 43, 45, 47, 49, 50, 52, and 54, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §103(a). The Examiner indicated the existence of allowable subject matter within claims 44 and 46. Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for indication of allowable subject matter herein.

Applicant has amended claims herein to incorporate claim 44 into claim 43. Applicant has also presented new claims 70-84 herein.

Applicant respectfully asserts that the claims as amended herein conform to the suggestions of the Examiner and fully resolve the rejection of claims pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §103.

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Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of claims 43, 46-56, 58, 59, 61-69, and new claims 70-84 herein.

Applicant has enclosed herein a marked-up version of the claims as amended entitled "MARKED-UP VERSION OF CLAIMS".

For the above-identified reasons, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the claims as amended herein. Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the enclosed amendment, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact the undersigned by telephone, facsimile, and/or E-Mail at the below identified address.

FORMALITIES

If an extension of time is required to make this response timely and no separate petition is enclosed, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely. In the event that this response requires the payment of government fees and payment is not enclosed, please charge deposit account No. 22-0350.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the present application with claims 43, 46-56, 58, 59, 61-69, and new claims 70-84, are in condition for allowance. Early action to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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MARKED-UP VERSION OF CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 43 as amended:

- 43 (Amended) A combination multiple warning signal light system and motorized vehicle, the warning signal light system comprising:
- a) a plurality of light supports engaged to the vehicle, each of the plurality of light supports having a first visible exterior surface;
 - b) one or more light emitting diodes disposed about and attached to the first visible exterior surface of each of the plurality of light supports; and
 - c) at least one controller in electric communication with the light emitting diodes, the controller constructed and arranged to activate the light emitting diodes thereby producing more than two different types of visually distinct warning light signals, wherein the more than two different types of visually distinct warning light signals are produced simultaneously, said light emitting diodes receiving power from a power source.

Claim 46 as amended:

- 46 (Amended) The [multiple warning signal light] combination of claim [48] 43 wherein the more than two different types of visually distinct warning light signals are produced in at least one combination.

Claim 48 as amended:

- 48 (Amended) The combination of claim [48] 43, the at least one controller constructed and arranged to activate the light emitting diodes on each of the first visible exterior surfaces independently of each other, whereby at least two different visually distinct warning light signals [may be] are illuminated on the visible exterior surface of at least one of the plurality of light supports at any moment.

Claim 51 as amended:

- 51 (Amended) The combination of claim [53] 48, the at least one controller further constructed and arranged to activate the light emitting diodes on each of the first visible exterior surfaces independently of each other, whereby different visually distinct warning light signals [may be] are simultaneously illuminated on at least two of the first visible exterior surfaces at any moment.

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Claim 53 as amended:

53 (Amended) The combination of claim [56] 51, the at least one controller further constructed and arranged to activate the light emitting diodes on each of the first visible exterior surfaces independently of each other whereby different visually distinct warning light signals [may be] are simultaneously illuminated on at least two of the first visible exterior surfaces at any moment.

Claim 67 as amended:

67 (Amended) [A] The combination of claim [61] 56, each of the first visible exterior surfaces comprising at least one sector, the controller providing each of the at least one sectors with at least one visually distinct warning light signal.

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